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Mr. Satya S. Tripathi is a UN Assistant Secretary-General and Head of the UN Environment New York Office. Mr. Tripathi is a development economist and lawyer with over 35 years of varied experience, he has served with the UN since 1998 in key positions in Europe, Asia and Africa in the areas of Climate Change, Human Rights, Democratic Governance and Legal Affairs. He was Chair of the Committees on Laws, Treaties and Administrative matters for the UN-mediated Cyprus unification talks in 2004; UN Recovery Coordinator for Aceh and Nias where he facilitated international cooperation and funding of over US\$ 7 billion for post-tsunami and post-conflict recovery efforts in support of the Indonesian government and affected populations; and Executive Head of UNORCID, a UN System Office of 10 UN Agencies established by the UN Secretary General in 2011 to facilitate the implementation of a US\$ 1 Billion REDD+ partnership between Indonesia, Norway and other stakeholders on climate change mitigation and adaptation through the conservation of forests and preservation of peat-land and bio-diversity. Mr. Tripathi was instrumental in

establishing the Tropical Landscapes Finance Facility (TLFF) in Indonesia in 2016 and the Sustainable India Finance Facility (SIFF) in 2017 to leverage 'private finance for public good' at mega-scale to achieve transformative social and environmental impact in developing countries. He previously served on the World Economic Forum's Global Advisory Council on Forests; and in India as a member of its national civil service.



Ms. Natalie Samarasinghe, Deputy to the Special Adviser on Preparations for the Commemoration for the UN's 75th Anniversary. Ms. Samarasinghe served as Chief Speechwriter for the President of the 73rd Session of the United Nations General Assembly. She has been the Executive Director of the United Nations Association – UK (UNA-UK) working with United Nations Association, since 2006. She is currently on leave of absence from UNA-UK. As the first woman to head the United Nations Association-UK, she has had overall responsibility for UNA-UK's programmes, with particular focus on advocacy, strategic communications, human rights, peace and security, and UN reform, including the Together First campaign on the Organization's 75th anniversary in 2020. Ms. Samarasinghe is a regular commentator on UN issues, and has edited or contributed to publications including the SAGE Major Work on the UN, The Oxford Handbook on the United Nations and the "Global Goals" and "Climate 2020" series. She has advised or served as a trustee for organisations including the Association of Citizenship Teaching, Sri Lanka Campaign

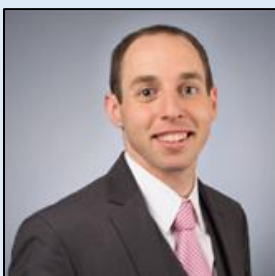
and the Doc Society film foundation. In 2013, she co-founded the 1 for 7 Billion campaign for a more transparent and inclusive process to select the UN Secretary-General. In 2018, she was awarded a prize by the Global Challenges Foundation for a proposal to open up UN decision-making and delivery to external stakeholders.



Prof. Jan Dash PhD is Editor of the World Scientific Encyclopedia of Climate Change (2020). He was Directeur de Recherche at the Centre de Physique Théorique in Marseille France, and published over 60 scientific papers. Subsequently, he worked for many years on quantitative finance and risk management. His book on the subject includes a chapter on Climate Change Risk Management. He was Adjunct Professor at the Courant Institute, NYU. He did the math behind the Bloomberg Climate Clock and spoke on a panel at the 2015 Paris Climate Conference. He has been a long standing member of the NGO Committee on Sustainable Development-NY and honored to be their Lead Expert Adviser on Climate Change.



Ms. Amal Abou Rafeh is Chief of Programme on Ageing at the United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs in New York. She serves on the Secretariat of the General Assembly's Open-ended Working Group on Ageing and is a member of the Steering Committee of the Titchfield City Group on Ageing-related Statistics and Age-disaggregated Data. Amal joined the United Nations in 2001, working in the areas of social policy, sustainable development and demography, and served on the Secretariats of the World Summit on Sustainable Development (2002) and the High-level Meeting on Youth (2011). She held positions in Beirut and New York. Before joining the United Nations, Amal lectured on analysis of social and demographic data. Amal was born in Riyadh, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia and holds a Master of Science in Population Studies from the American University of Beirut.



Mr. Daniel Perell, UN Baha'i International Community. Daniel is the former NGO Major Group Global Organizing Partner for HLPF. He joined the Baha'i International Community's United Nations Office as a Representative in 2011. His areas of work include social and sustainable development, global citizenship, human rights, the role of religion in society, and defense of the Baha'i Community. He is currently a Global Organizing Partner of the NGO Major Group and the Chair of the NGO Committee for Social Development. In 2010, Dan received a JD from the University of Virginia School of Law and an MA in Law and Diplomacy from the Fletcher School at Tufts University and was admitted to the New York State Bar Association.



Ms. Giovanna Kuele. Advisor for Together First Campaign. Giovanna is a non-resident researcher from Brazil for Igarapé Institute and Ph.D. Candidate at the Graduate Center of the City University of New York (CUNY), USA. Based in New York, she has researched and engaged with international politics, particularly regarding climate change global governance, international security, conflict prevention, and peace operations. She also represents the Together First Campaign as a Coordinating Partner of the UN2020 Initiative.



Dr. Daniel Chidubem Gbujie, Founder/CEO of Team 54 Project International and the UN Representative for African Trade Center. He is an African trained Medical Personnel turned environmental advocate. Together with members of his organization and partners they have been creating unique ways to engage communities globally and subsequently reverse the climate crisis consequences. He is finding and creating innovative climate solutions for which he has been given several international environmental awards across the globe by several organizations, of note are the 2019 recognition in June by the African Trade Center for creating the concept around an environmental App called “RepClime” and the UN Office of Outer Space Affairs recognized his innovative concept “SpaceClime” as one of the winner of their ‘Space4SDGs’ global challenge in October 2019. He is an inventor and has published over 10 research articles and has co-authored a climate book published by Cornell University New York. He has been one of the leading global climate crisis advocate as noted by a leading US-Media organization the Business Insider. He was

part of the world medical association delegation to COP 22 in Marrakesh, Morocco and COP 23 in Bonn, Germany. He was confirmed in November 2019 by the International Human Right Commission-Relief Trust Fund Selection committee as one of the Top 100 Global Defenders of Human Rights along with the UN Secretary General and Greta Thunberg of Sweden. He is proud to be a member of the NGOCSD-NY Team.



Ms. Christine Clarke, is a Climate Reality Leader, Environmental Advocate & Community Organizer with the Jersey Renews Coalition, the NJ March for Science, and the NJ People's Climate Movement. She is Chair of the Jefferson Township Democratic Committee, the former Environmental Director at Action Together New Jersey and was an early organizer with NJ 11th For Change. She created Action Together's #ClimateVoter video series and organized grassroots calls to action, free public educational forums and live streamed events bringing people together around renewable energy and environmental conservation. Christine is a mother-of-four, who ran for New Jersey State Assembly in 2019 to advance clean energy jobs, protect clean air and water, improve healthcare, and legislate with empathy and fiscal responsibility. She believes in accessible, reasonable representation and in her run for public office, she participated in public town halls and forums accordingly. Christine was endorsed by prominent partisan and nonpartisan groups, including environmental organizations, unions, teachers, nurses, firefighters,

activists, women's rights organizations and more. In building coalitions to address the climate crisis, she now looks forward to working with these partners on sustainable solutions and sound policies for our future. Christine is an Honorary Advisor of the NGO Committee on Sustainable Development-NY.



Ms. Amanda J. Nesheiwat, Environmental Director, Town of Secaucus, New Jersey and UN Representative for the Foundation for Post Conflict Development. Ms. Nesheiwat currently works as the Environmental Director for the Town of Secaucus, New Jersey. During her time working with the town, they have received many environmental achievements including receiving the Environmental Achievement Award with ANJEC for the town's ban on Styrofoam. She is a UN Representative for the Foundation for Post Conflict Development, a foundation that is based in East Timor and works primarily on development. She is an organizer and environmental activist and is passionate about sustainable development and combatting climate change. She has served as a youth delegate in conferences such as the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) in Doha, Qatar where she was the State Department Liaison for the delegation. She was trained by Al Gore and his team to effectively present information about climate change as a Climate Reality Leader. She is a sought after public speaker and consultant for municipalities

on the economic benefits of sustainability. Ms. Nesheiwat is a recipient of the 2014 United Nations ATOP Peace Award for her work in Environmental Sustainability and was chosen as one of the top 50 Most Influential People of Hudson County, New Jersey. She has also received the North Jersey Young Environmental Innovator Award for 2015. She serves as a Board Member for several organizations including the Association of New Jersey Environmental Commissions. She also had a Tedx talk about her work titled: “How I Became a Change Agent.” She has a Master of Science in Sustainability Management from Stevens Institute of Technology. Amanda is a member of the NGOCSD-NY Team.

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